



# Town of Warsaw Low Impact Development Planning Project

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# Components of Stormwater Management - Chapter 2

## •2-1 Components of Stormwater Management

- *The goal of stormwater management is to mitigate the impact on the hydrologic cycle resulting from changes to the land surface.*

## •Low Impact Development

- An eco-system based stormwater management approach designed to maintain the functions of the pre-development hydrologic cycle or create a “customized” watershed management strategy

# Virginia Stormwater Management Program: 1-2

- **Water Quality:** Consistency between Stormwater Management Regulations (DCR), Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act- CBPA (CBLAD), and Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (DEQ)
- **Stream Channel Erosion:** Protect downstream channels from erosion due to increase in volume, velocity, and peak flow rate

# Flexible Adoption

- A locality may adopt individual components for local implementation. “Cafeteria Style”.
- Local programs must, at a minimum, contain the flooding component.

1-2 continued

# Part II

## Technical Criteria

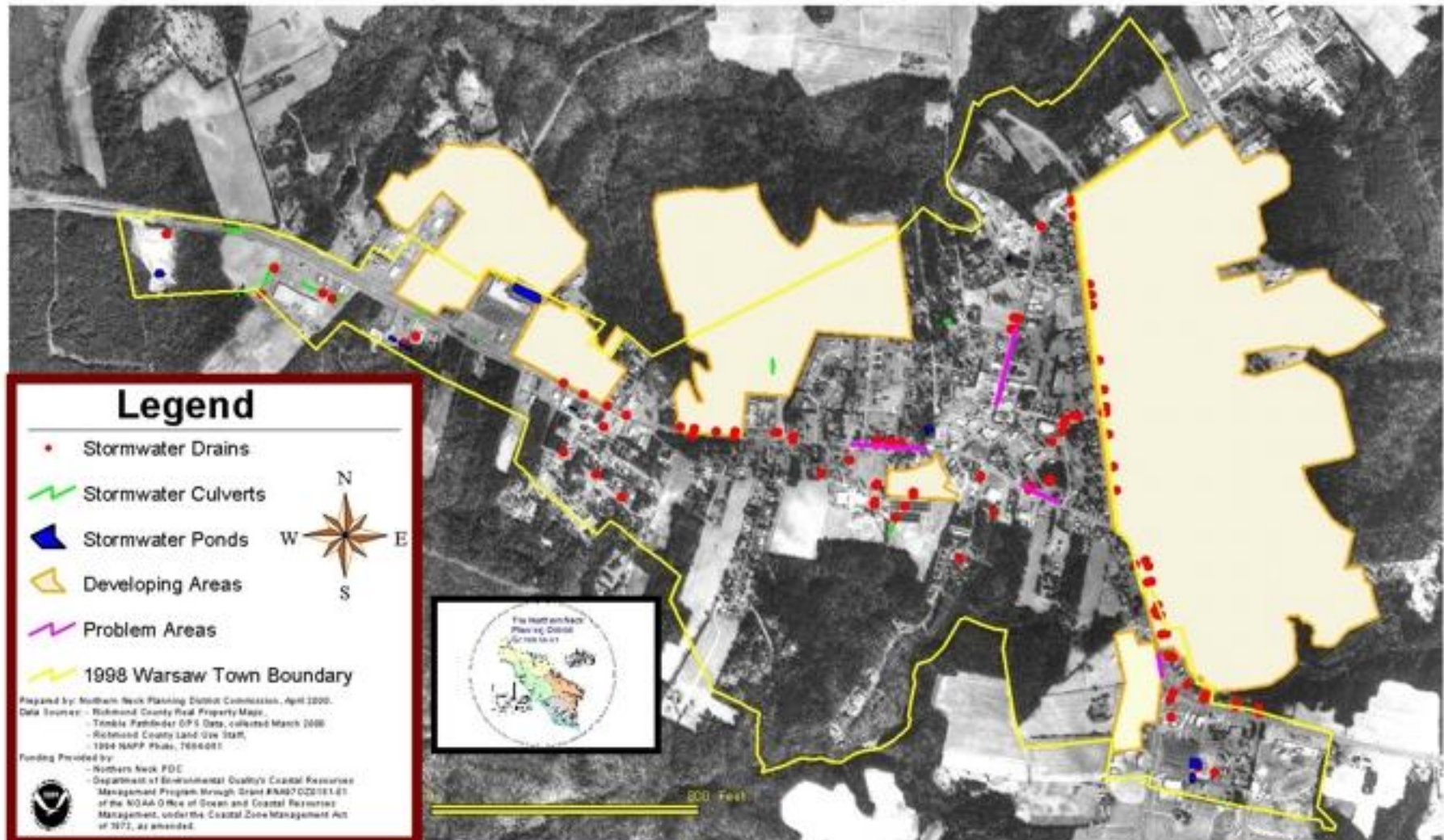
### •4 VAC 3-20-60 General

- B. NRCS Technology/Rational
- C. Existing Land Good Condition
- F. Pre-development and post-development shall be verified with good engineering practices
- I. All facilities should have a maintenance
- K. Natural channel characteristics shall be preserved to the maximum extent practicable

### •LID Criteria

- Design Charts are NRCS TR-55 calculations shown as nomographs that compare volume and peak rates for pre and post-development.
- Model ordinances, covenants, and guidance have been developed for LID maintenance.
- One of the LID options is to have a “customized” design storm that is based on natural stream relationships between channels and floodplains.

## Warsaw: Stormwater Infrastructure, Developing Areas and Problem Areas



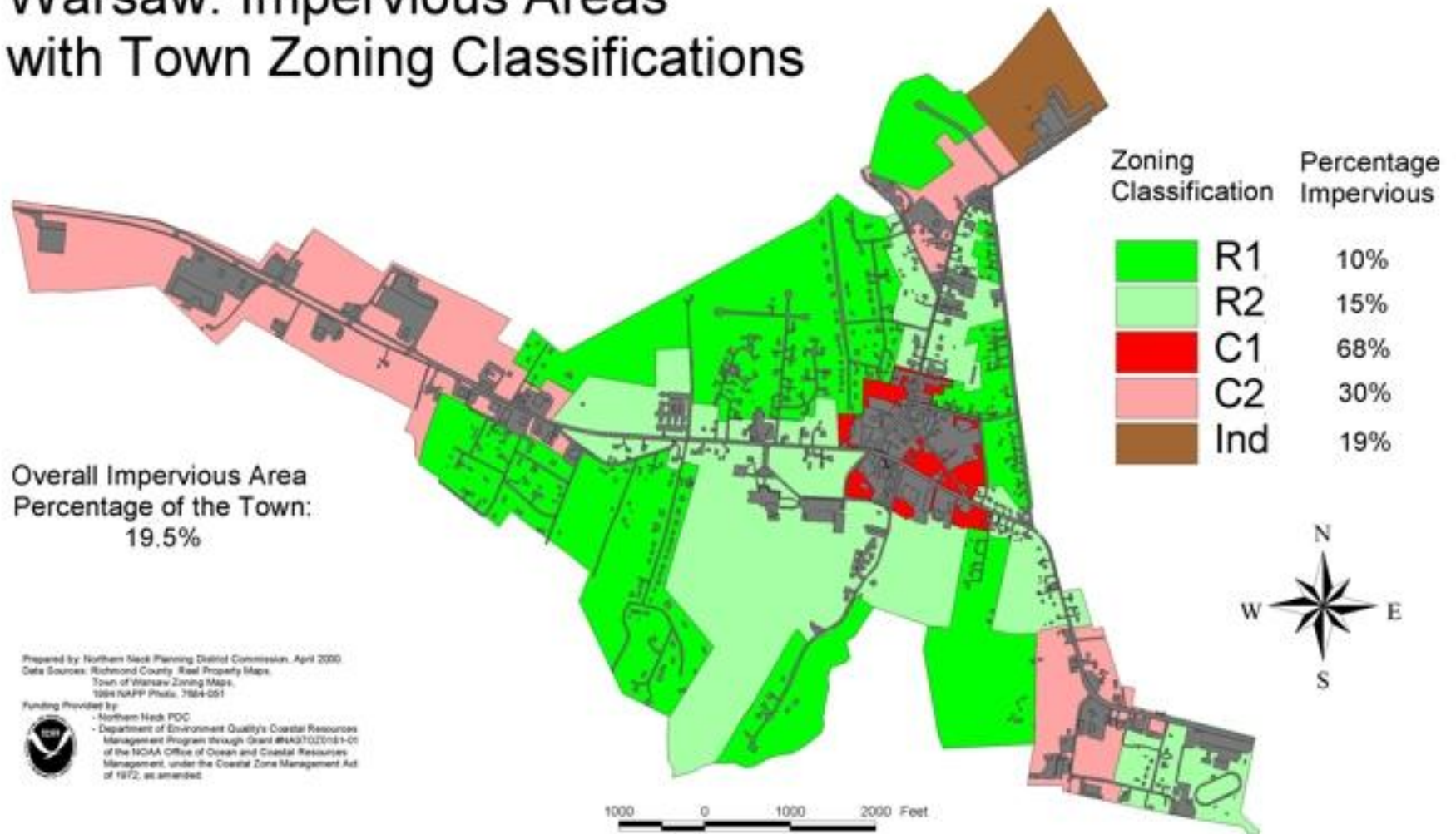




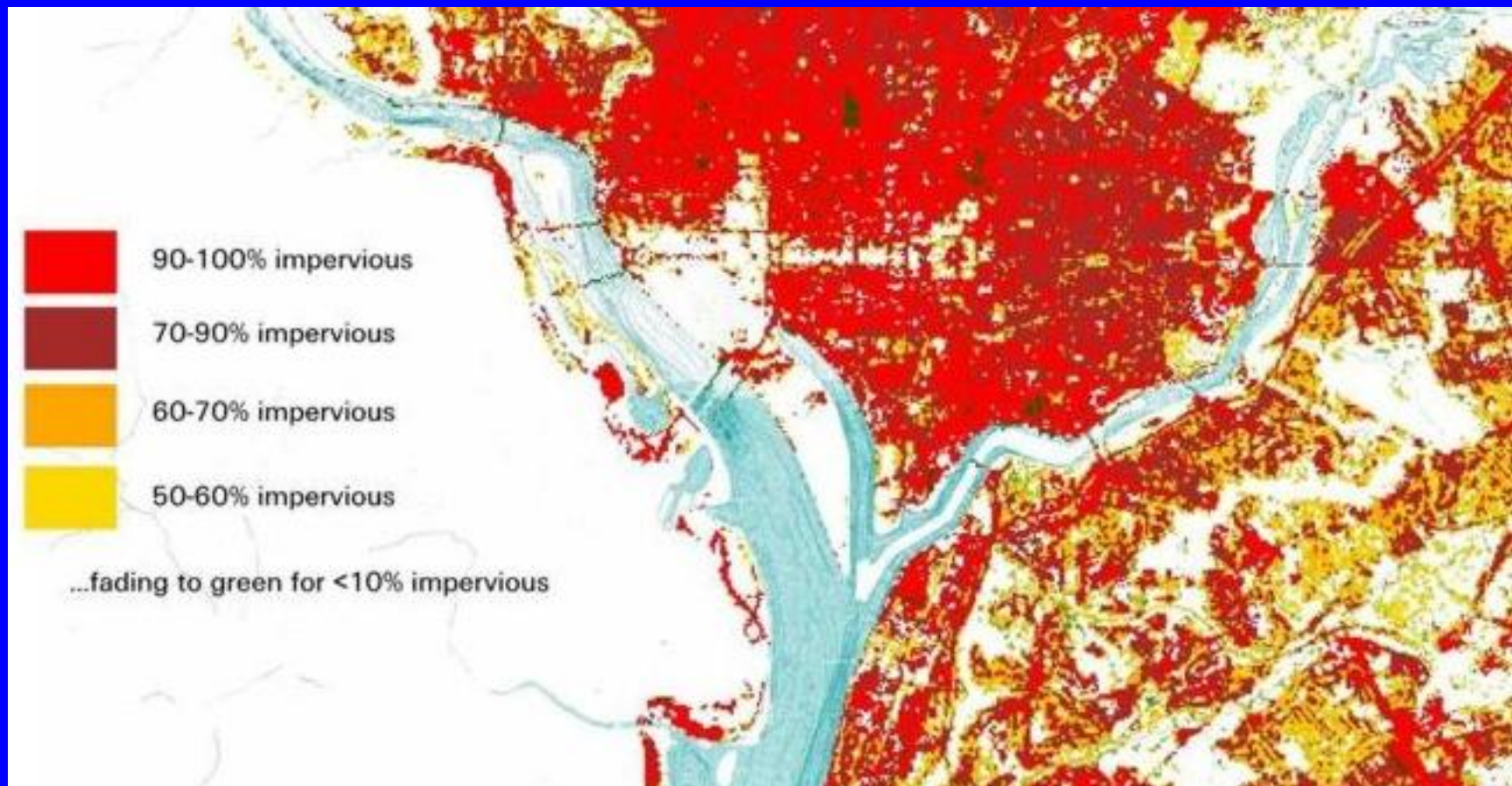




# Warsaw: Impervious Areas with Town Zoning Classifications

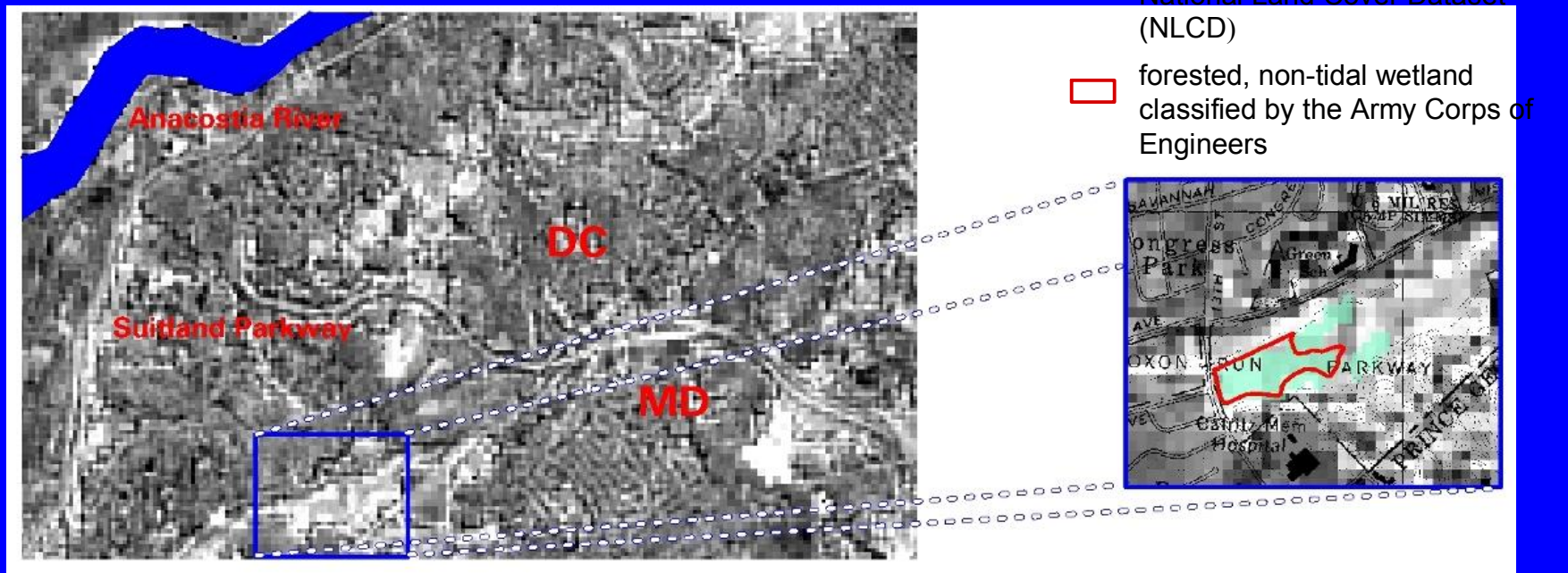


An estimate of imperviousness can be derived directly from the satellite image for developed areas.





**Soil moisture maps** can be generated using vegetation and surface temperature data derived from the Landsat image in conjunction with a surface climate model. The gray-scale image is dark for surfaces with a dried out top layer and bright or white for surfaces that are wet. This information can be used to identify dry, compacted soils that no longer function in the capacity of their original Soil Survey classification or to locate areas with very moist surface layers near identified wetlands that can be easily converted to wetlands themselves.



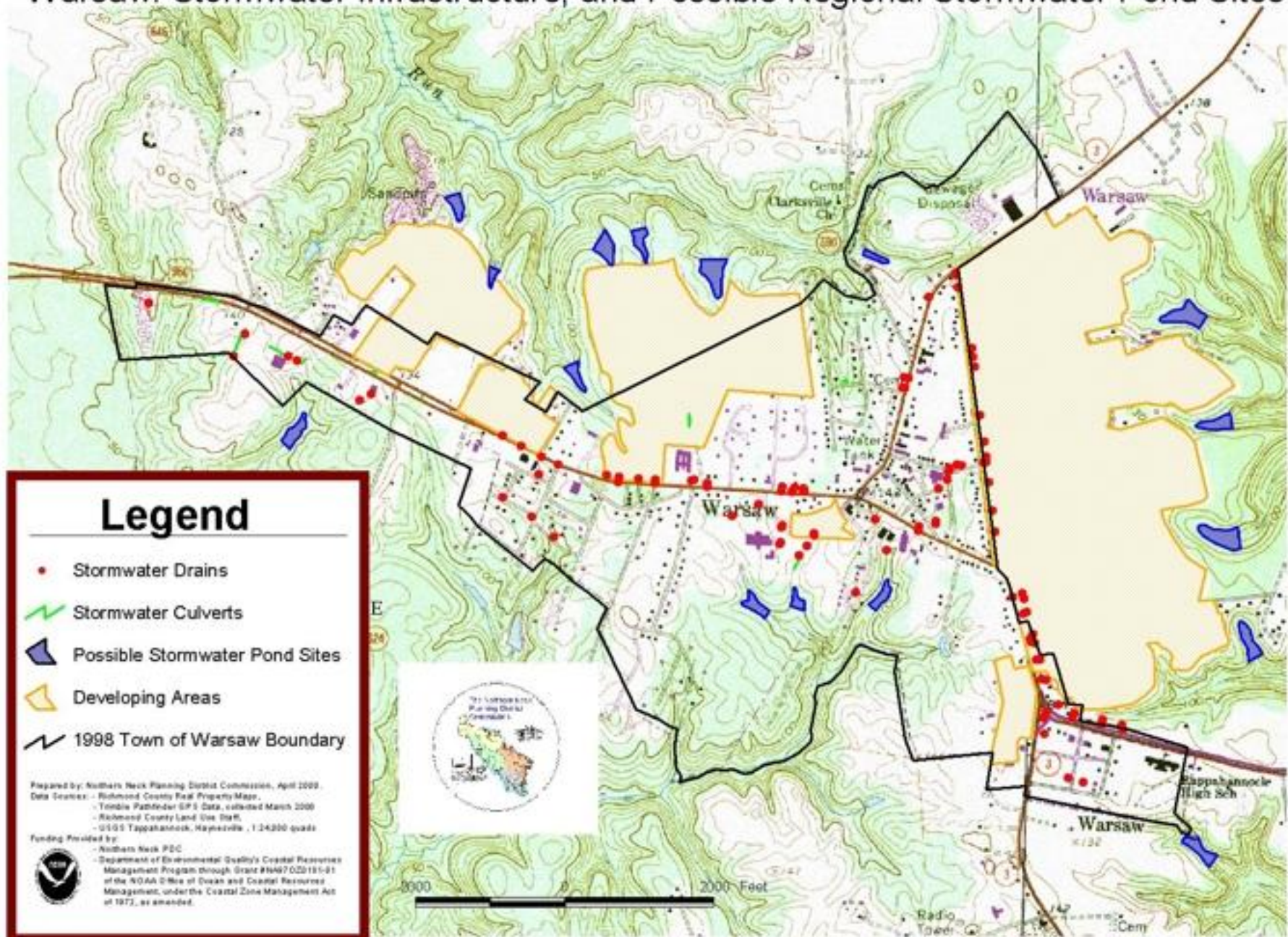
**CxC: Croom-Urban land complex, U1: Udorthents, BeB: Beltsville-Urban land complex**

This distinctly moist area in the satellite-derived soil moisture map overlaps at least three Soil Survey polygons in the B and C Hydrologic Soil Groups (moderate to low infiltration rates). The tearing down of buildings and grading that must have been occurring when the satellite image was taken dominated the soil moisture signal of this area. Current soil moisture maps can be useful in identifying where land transitions are occurring. The photograph shows the condition of the site during the January visit.





# Warsaw: Stormwater Infrastructure, and Possible Regional Stormwater Pond Sites







## Conventional Urban Pond

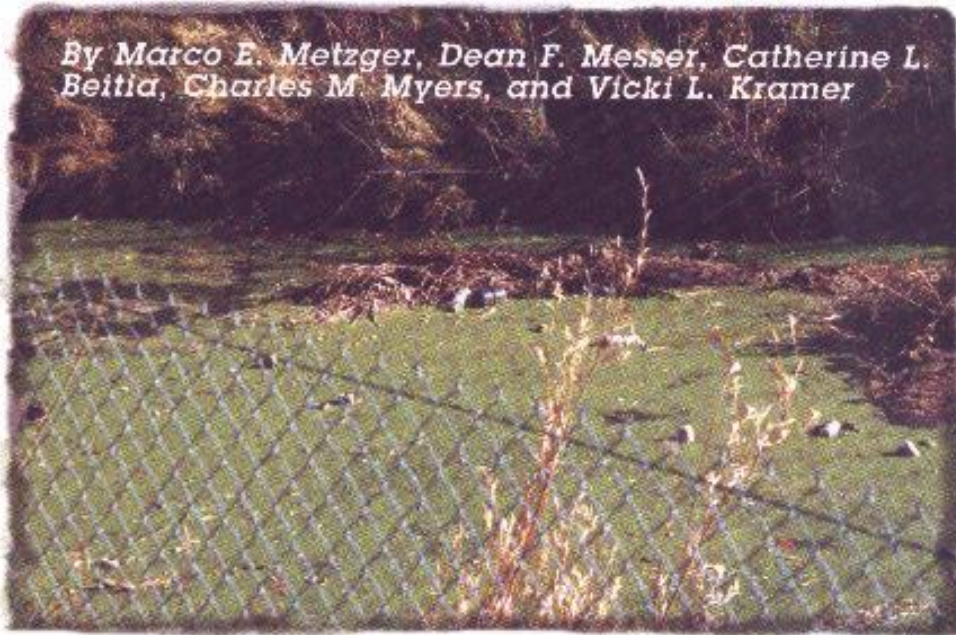
*Creating Blackholes of Infrastructure*

- Space
- Cost
- Inefficiency
- Pollution
- Maintenance
- Safety

# **The** **Dark** **Side**

of Stormwater Runoff Management:  
***Disease Vectors  
Associated With  
Structural BMPs***

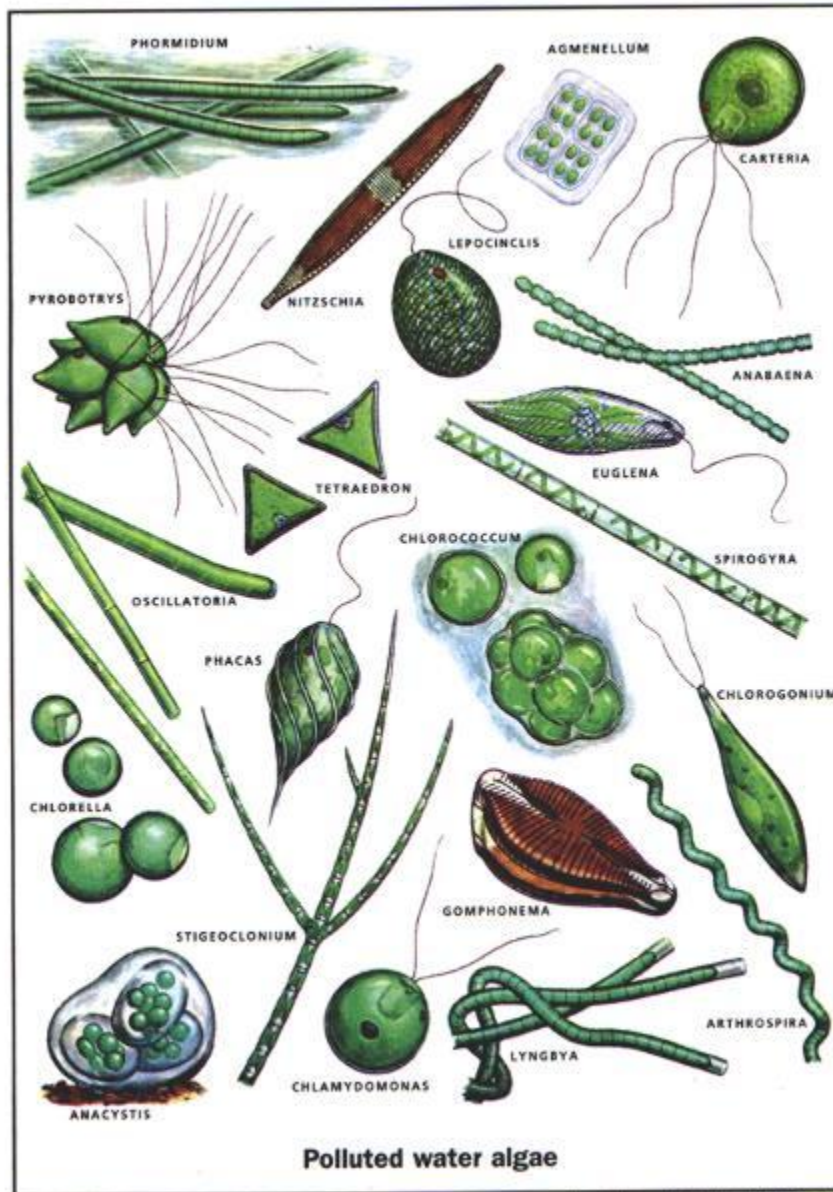
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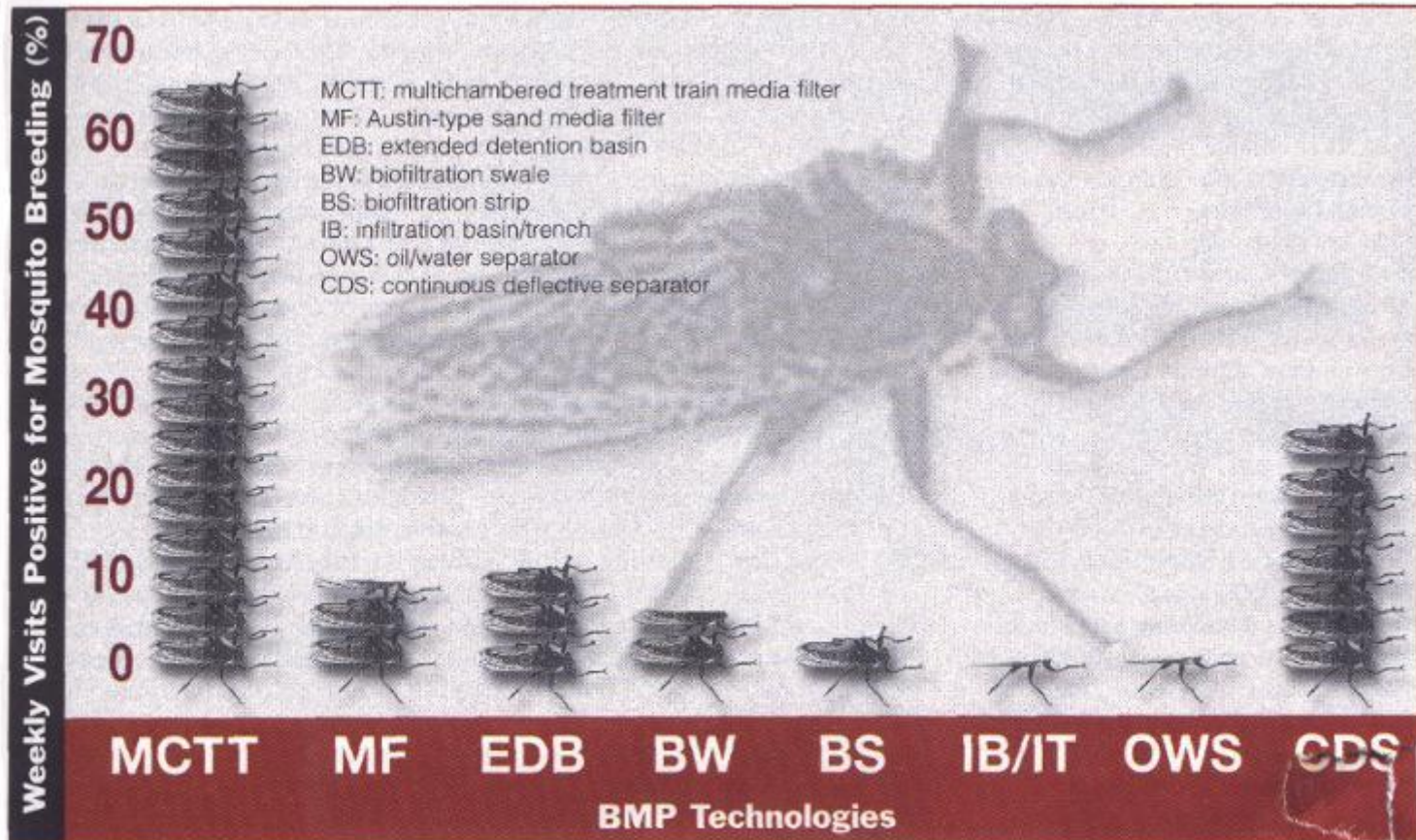
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Illustrations: US Public Health Service





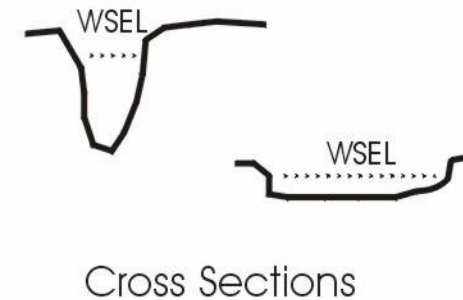
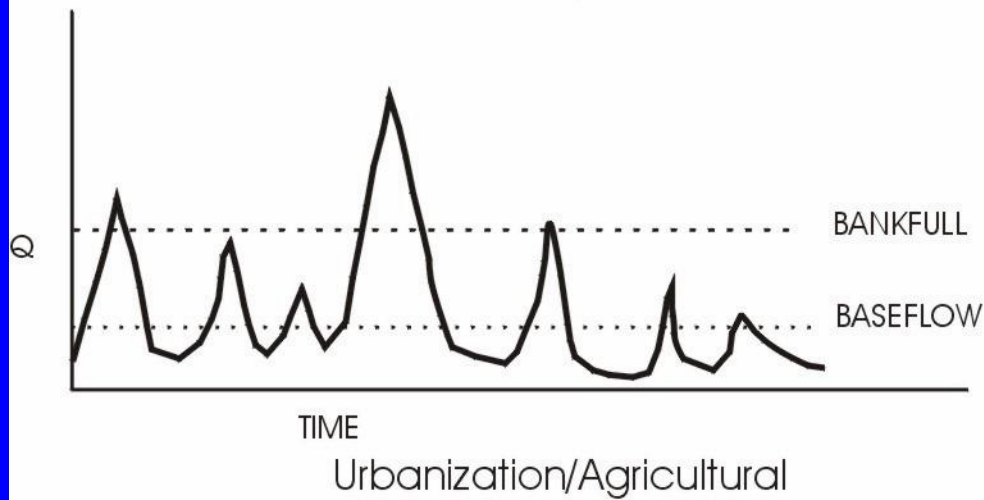
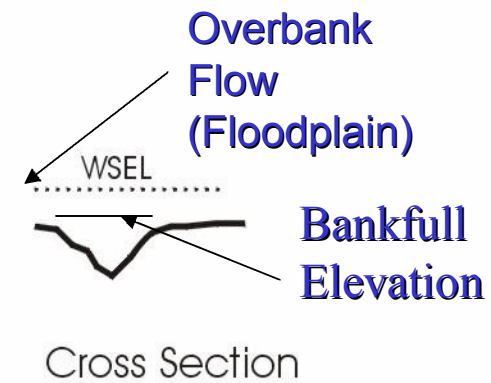
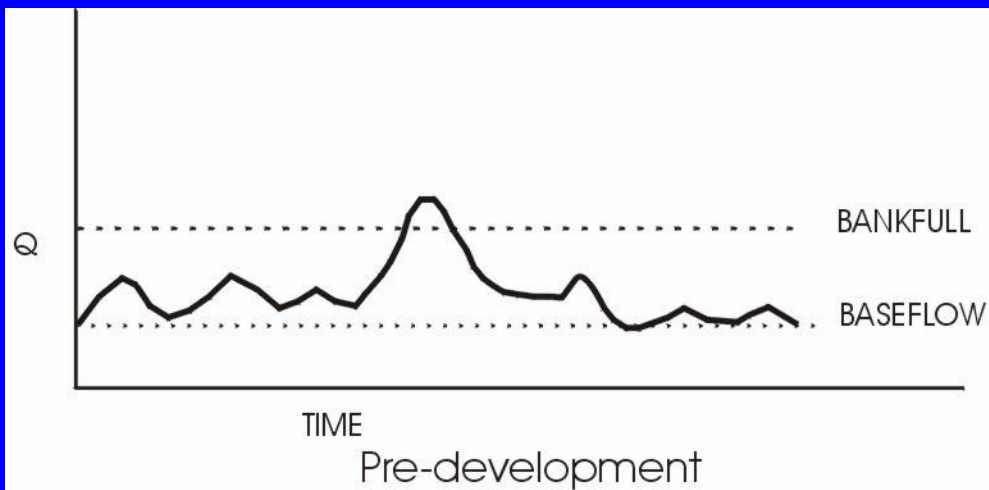






**70's Outfall  
Protection**



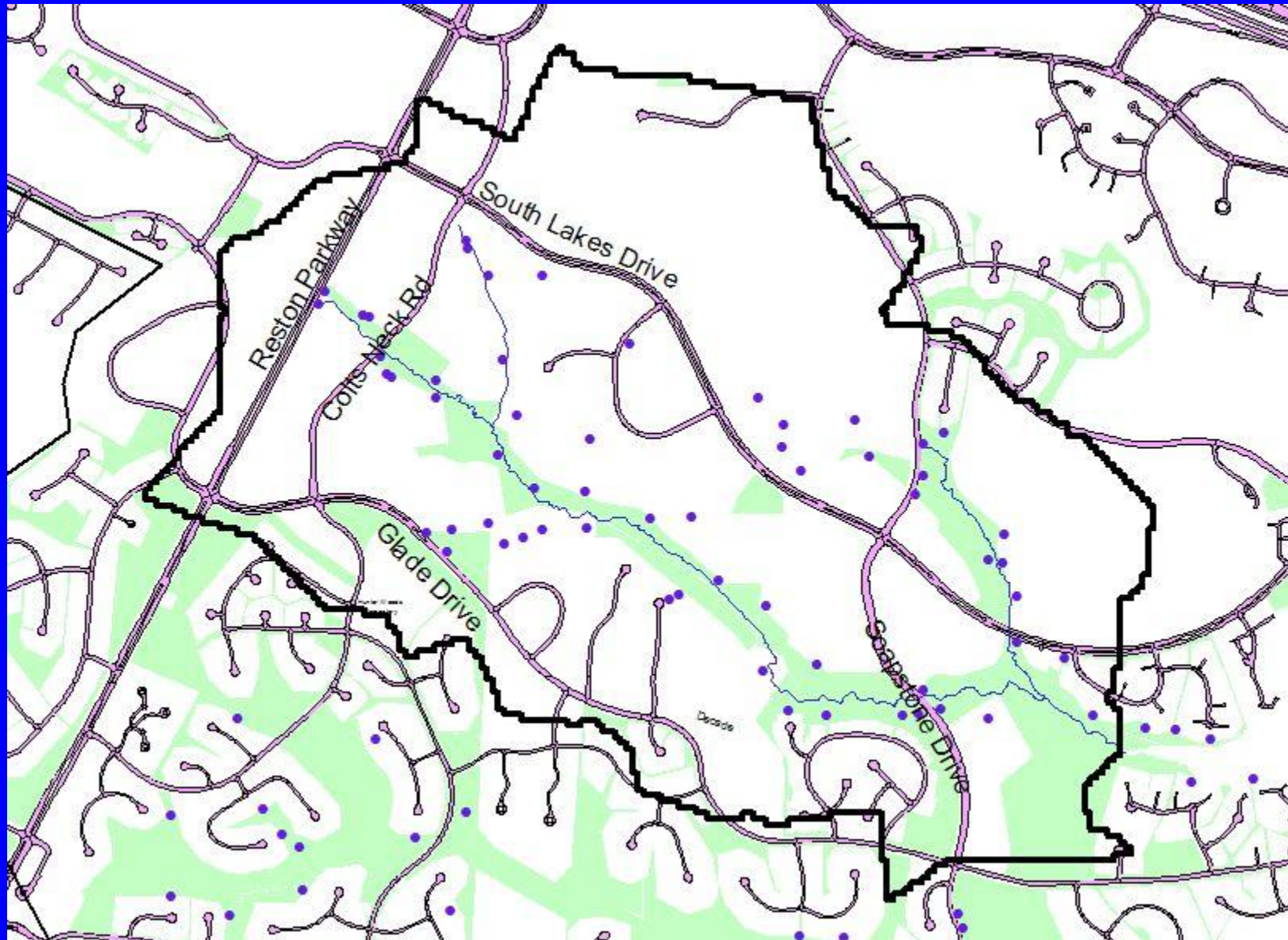


Stream Response to Development

- Incision
- Widening
- Reduction in Baseflow
- Aggradation/Headcutting

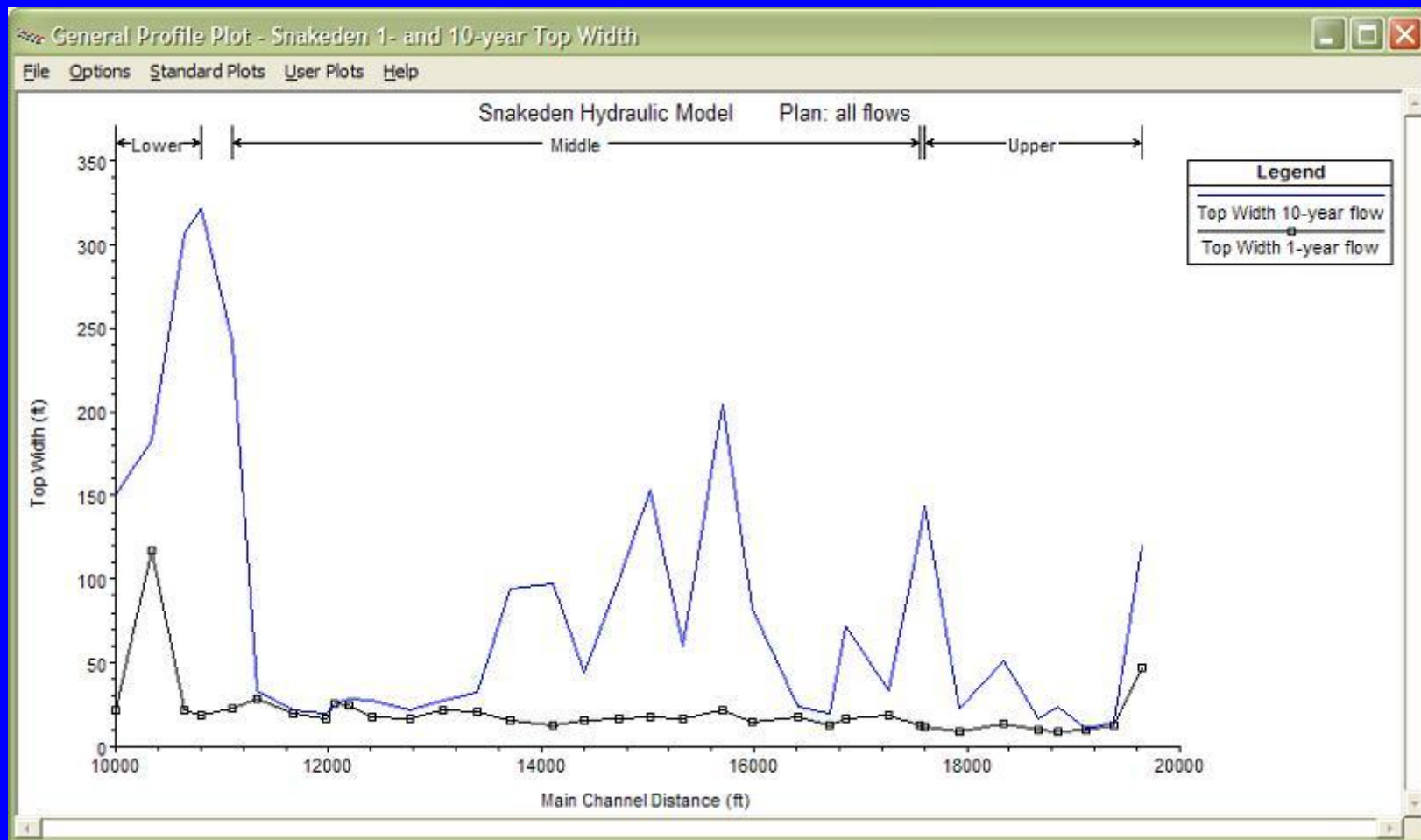
McQuen, 1989

## Outfall Locations in Snakeden Watershed



Conservation and Clustering



















**Conventional**



**Low Impact**



**Conventional**



**Functional Landscape Design**

# 1. Conserve Natural Areas



Courtesy CWP

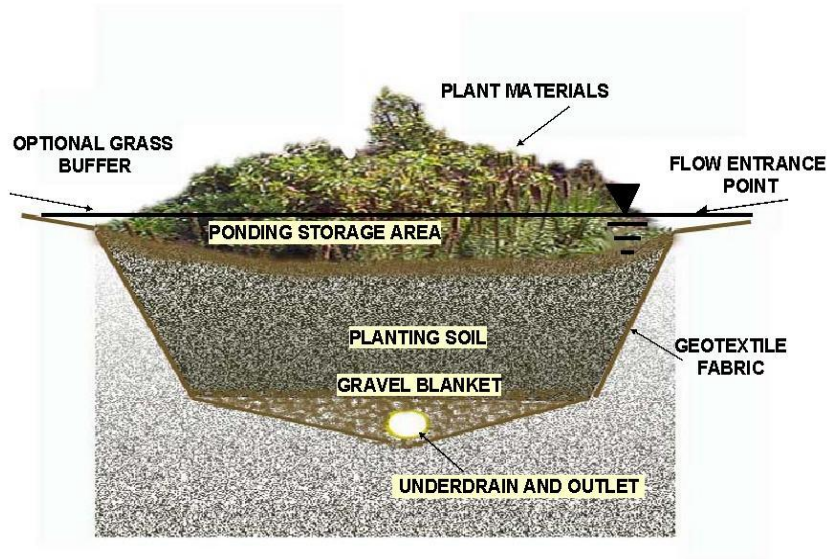
- **Conservation of drainages, trees & vegetation**
- **Land use planning**
- **Watershed planning**
- **Habitat conservation plans**
- **Stream & wetland buffers**







# Bioretention Cells –20 Future Installations





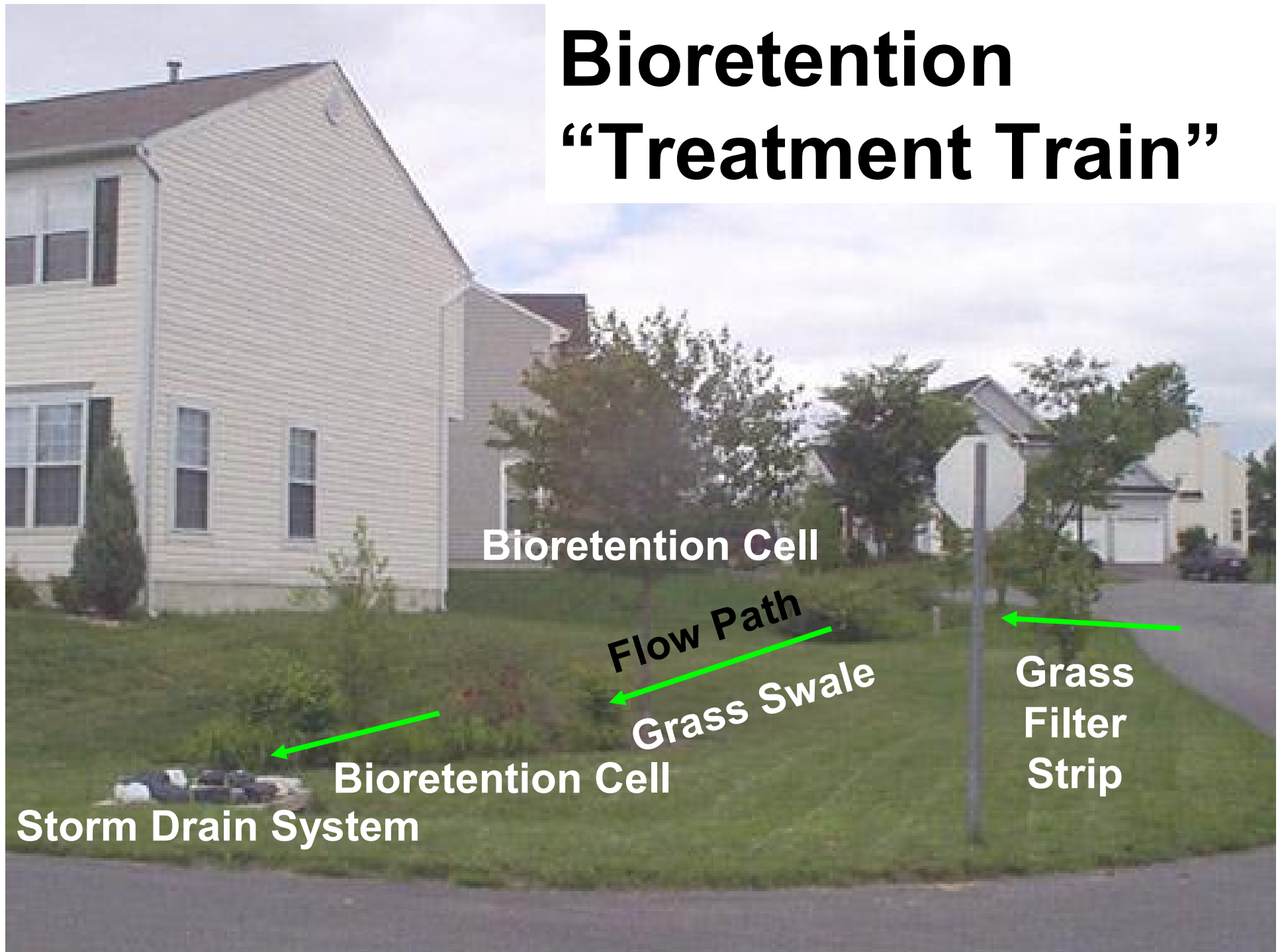
# Reduced Impervious Area

- 11% less impervious area than standard street improvement



**SEA Streets - After Construction**  
2nd Ave NW - NW 117th St to NW 120th St

# Bioretention “Treatment Train”





# Raingardens



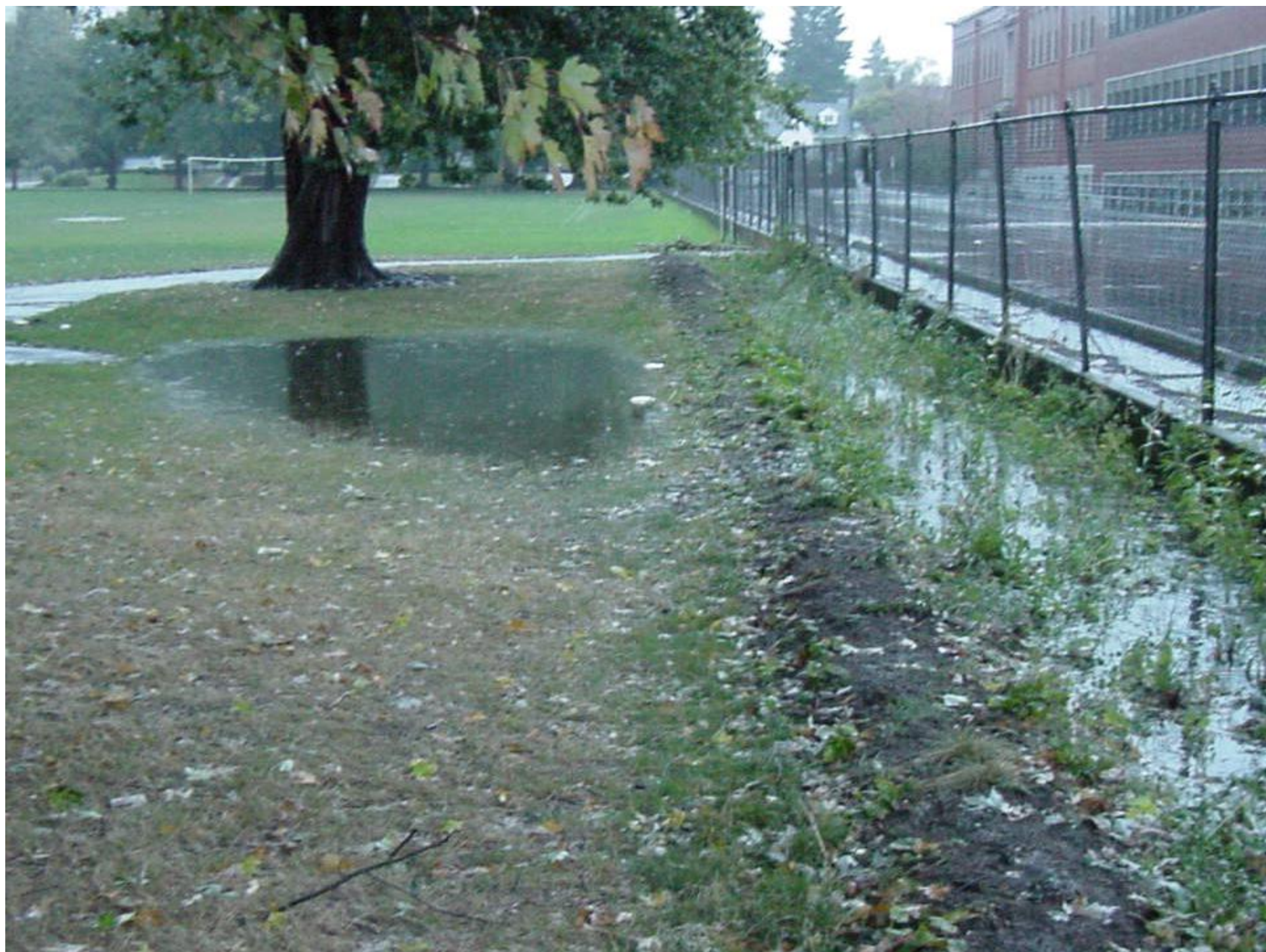
# Raingardens





# Rain barrels













## Cascade Station Street Sand Filters



# Important Considerations for Localities

- Innovative or alternative BMP's may be selected upon approval of VDCR. Check VDCR website for new technologies and updates!!!!
- Other pollutant control may be required by locality: *TMDL's*, *Local water resource protection objectives (e.g. thermal, TSS)*
- Watershed/Regional based approaches (e.g. street sweeping, pollution prevention) can be used.
- LID allows for any part of the landscape, building, or infrastructure to be modified and designed as a BMP
- LID uses a “customized” management strategy
- P2 and management strategies are a key foundation of LID